

MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

3:00 p.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Law and Justice was called to order by Chairman Kesto.

Members present: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Graves, Howrylak, Roberts, Theis, Albert, Chang,

Robinson, Guerra, Liberati, Wittenberg.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Lucido moved to adopt the minutes of April 24, 2018. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5799 (Hornberger) Elections; other; procedure for the removal of official on the state

board of education, the board of regents of the University of Michigan, the board of trustees of Michigan State University, or the board of governors of Wayne State University; clarify.

Representative Hornberger testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women. Kimberly Hurst, representing the Wayne County SAFE Program, and submitted written testimony.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5824 (Hughes) Law enforcement; reports; report to department of licensing and

regulatory affairs on licensed health professionals; require upon

allegation of certain crimes committed by licensee.

Representative Hughes testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bills before the committee:

HB 5659	(Griffin)	Children; protection; mandatory reporting requirements for child abuse or child neglect; expand to include K-12 coaches and volunteers.
HB 5796	(Pagan)	Children; protection; distribution of training package to individuals designated as mandatory reporters for child abuse or child neglect; require.
SB 874	(Jones)	Children; child abuse or child neglect; failure to report suspected child abuse or neglect; increase penalties.
SB 880	(Jones)	Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; penalty for not reporting child abuse; increase.

Representative Griffin and Senator Jones testified together in support of HB 5659, SB 874 and SB 880. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Pagan testified in support of HB 5796. Questions and discussion followed.

Colin Parks, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Children's Protective Services Program, testified with a neutral position on the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Mical Raz, representing herself as an academic researcher, testified in opposition to the bills via speaker phone. Questions and discussion followed.

Frank Vandervort, representing himself as an academic researcher, submitted a card and written testimony in opposition to the bills, wishing to speak, but unable due to time constraints.

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women, submitted a card in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak.

Tom Hickson, Chris Castano, Marina Hentz, Larry LaCross, and Candice Ness, all representing the Michigan Catholic Conference, submitted a card and written testimony in support of the bills, wishing to speak, but unable due to time constraints.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 5659, wishing to speak, but unable due to time constraints:

Kathy Hagenian, representing the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence. Lore A. Rogers, representing the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Board.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5796, but did not wish to speak:

Kimberly Hurst, representing the Wayne County SAFE Program. Bree Anderson, representing the Michigan Council for Maternal and Child Health.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5796, wishing to speak, but unable due to time constraints:

Kathy Hagenian, representing the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence. Lore A. Rogers, representing the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Board.

Allan Wachendorfer and David Berns, both representing the National Association of Social Workers, submitted a card and written testimony in support of HB 5659 and HB 5796, and in opposition to SB 874 and SB 880, wishing to speak, but unable due to time constraints.

Josh Robertson, representing the Children's Advocacy Centers of Michigan, submitted a card in support of SB 874 and SB 880, but not wishing to speak.

Kathy Hagenian, representing the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, submitted a card and written testimony in opposition to SB 874 and SB 880, but did not wish to speak.

Kimberly Buddin, representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan submitted a card and written testimony in opposition to HB 5659, SB 874 and SB 880, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Kesto adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:59 p.m.

Representative Klint Kesto	, Chair
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